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Honorable Richard E. Hammel
State Representative
State Capitol Building
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Dear Representative Hammel:

I recently reviewed the Substitute for House Bill NO, 5675, a bill to amend 1846 RS 171, entitled "Of county jails and the regulation thereof," (MCL 801.1 to 801.27 by adding section 24. I believe the proposed legislation is well thought out, and is easy for me to support. You have closed all of the loopholes to someone leaving my jail for the purpose of deportation and the deportation not being executed. Further, I support your proposed legislation, in that the inmate who is deported under this section returns to the United States illegally, the inmate shall be returned to the custody of the Sheriff.

It is in that spirit, that I wholeheartedly endorse your proposed legislation and pledge my full support to make the proposed bill law.

Thanks for all that you have done for public safety, both as a legislator, and former County Commissioner.

If I can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me. I remain.

Very truly yours,

ROBERT J. PICKELL
SHERIFF